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Application No.: 10/023,869 ) Group Art Unit: 1743  
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FOR REAGENTLESS )  
MEASUREMENT OF ANALYTES )

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Washington, D.C. 20231

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Initially, please change the attorney docket number from "13202.00354" to --213202.00354--.

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE ABSTRACT:

Please insert the following Abstract as a separate page after page 78 of the specification:

ABSTRACT

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The present invention provides a method of monitoring calibration of a spectrophotometric apparatus that